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SUBJ: EGYPTIAN PRESS ON GOJ ARMS TO SOUTH AFRICA

1. TONE OF EDITORIAL AND PLACEMENT OF NEWS ITEM IN ARABIC LANGUAGE CAIRO PAPERS SEPTEMBER 24 SUGGEST MFA APPROVAL PRESS CAMPAIGN-SO FAR LOW KEY-AGAINST JORDAN.

2. AHRAM'S EDITORIAL PREVIOUS DAY ASKED IF GOJ HAD INTENDED ITS PROVISIONAL WITHDRAWAL FROM INTER-ARAB CONSULTATIONS IN GENEVA AS A COVER UP FOR SEVERE CRISIS CAUSED BY GOJ ARMS SALE TO SOUTH AFRICA AND ATTENDANT DISRUPTIVE IMPACT ON ARAB/AFRICAN SOLIDARITY. TODAY AKHBAR AND HXMHURIYRA ALSO LAMENT JOH AN POLITICAL WITHDRAWAL. AKHBAR SAYS DECISION IS NEITHER WARRANTED NOR UNDERSTANDABLE AND CAN ONLY DAMAGE GOJ'S IMAGE IN ARAB WORLD. GUMHURIYYA MAKES THE SAME POINT AND WONDER WHY JORDAN INSISTS ON "DUAL REPRESENTATION" FOR  
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THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

AND WHY GOJ CLAIMS RIGHT TO SPEAK FOR PALESTINIANS IN  
PRESENCE OF PALESTINIANS THEMSELVES.

3. ALL PAPERS ALSO CARRY TWO SHORT ANTI-GOJ ITEMS. FIRST REPORTS  
ISRAELI SATISFACTION AT KING HUSAIN'S DECISION AND SECOND  
QUOTES TUNISIAN AMBASSADOR IN CAIRO AS CALLING ON ARAB LEAGUE  
TO CANVASS MEMBER STATES ON THEIR VIEW TOWARDS JORDANIAN  
ARMS DEAL WITH "RACIST" SOUTH AFRICA.  
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